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Kevin BROWN : IMPROVEMENTS IN AND

**RELATING TO KARABINERS** 

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#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

#### **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert and amend section headings as follows. (Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121.)

On page 1, please delete the section heading "Title: Improvements in and relating to karabiners" and insert the following:

### IMPROVEMENTS IN AND RELATING TO KARABINERS

On page 1, before the first complete paragraph, please delete the section heading "DESCRIPTION" and insert the section headings as follows:

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

### 1. Field of the Invention

On page 1, after the first complete paragraph, please insert the section heading as follows:

## 2. Description of the Related Art

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### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

On page 3, before the first complete paragraph beginning "This invention", please insert the section heading as follows:

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

On page 3, before the paragraph beginning "Referring to", please insert the section heading as follows:

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

#### **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to place the application in conformance with standard United States Patent practice.

Examination and allowance of claims 1-10 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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